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1. The courier service between the Foreign Ministry in Bucharest and the Rumanian missions abroad is still being maintained according to the pattern established after the end of the war in 1945.
2. The two official Rumanian couriers who travel the Bucharest-Paris run on the Arlberg Express Train to not interrupt their journey while passing through Switzerland. They carry all of the courier mail for the Rumanian Embassies in the West. Either at the Zurich or Basle station they are met by an embassy official to whom they hand the courier bags. The embassy official from Berne travels by automobile to meet the train at the station previously announced by telegram and simultaneously hands over the mail from the embassy to the Bucharest Foreign Ministry. The courier, an official of the Foreign Ministry, is accompanied by an agent of the Serviciul Secret, the secret service of the Prime Minister's Office.
3. The last Rumanian courier to come directly to Switzerland was one Bogdan, (fmu), who arrived three months ago and was said to have been on his way to Geneva where he was scheduled to participate in an international conference. Bogdan holds a prominent position in the Rumanian Foreign Ministry and is regarded as a confidant of Anna Pauker.

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